Gentlemen:

Thank you for reading my comments to NPRM in Docket No. 05-235 regarding the issue of eradicating Morse Code. Having obtained my Extra Class license in May 1987, I strongly support the administration of Morse Code in amateur radio examinations. However, the times being as they may, I can understand to have a lesser enforced standard of Morse code, i.e. 5 wpm. It is well documented how valuable amateurs are in times of emergency, however at times the QRM is insurmountable. In this instance the ability of the amateur to send Morse Code would be valuable in getting an emergency message through to another amateur and thus the proper parties.

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